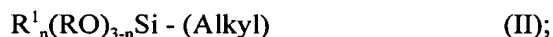
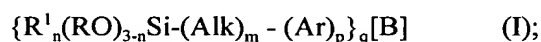


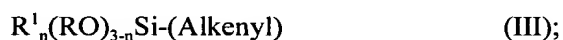
IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 4, paragraph starting at lines 9 to page 5, line 8 delete the paragraph and insert therefor the following:

Preferable adsorbents include rubber powders containing one or more oxide-type or preferably silicate type filler(s), especially a precipitated or pyrogenic silica gel in a proportion of 100 phr to 5000 phr in the case of a synthetic filler of this type, or especially in a proportion of 100 phr to 3000 phr in the case of a natural filler, the surface of which is generally modified with one or more organosilicon compounds of the general formulas



or



wherein:

B: -SCN, -SH, -Cl, -NH₂ (when q = 1) or -S_x- (when q = 2);

R and R¹: a branched or nonbranched alkyl group with 1 to 4 carbon atoms or a phenyl group; all R and R¹ groups may have the same or different meanings, preferably an alkyl group,

R: a branched or nonbranched C₁ to C₄ alkyl or C₁ to C₄ alkoxy group,

n: 0; 1 or 2,

Alk: a divalent straight-chain or branched hydrocarbon group with 1 to 6 carbon atoms;

m: 0 or 1;

Ar: an arylene group with 6 to 12 carbon atoms;

p: 0 or 1, with the proviso that p, m and n are not simultaneously equal to 0,

x: a number from 2 to 8,